

## OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Menomonie, Dunn County, Wisconsin, was held in open session on February 16, 2015, and called to order by Mayor Knaack at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers. The following members were present: Luther, Traxler, Sutherland, Riedel, Schwebs, Brown, Solberg, Cruz, Erdman and Mercil.

MOTION was made by Cruz, seconded by Erdman, and carried to approve the minutes of the February 2, 2015 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS – Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding rezoning Lot 2, CSM #1442 and Outlot 4 of the Ridgewood Heights Addition (C & E Wurzer).

Public Works Director, Randy Eide, provided an overview of the proposed development and stated that the Plan Commission favorably recommended approval of the rezoning request.

Craig Wurzer, developer, announced the proposed development is an eight million dollar project, expected to take 2 or 3 years to complete.

Rhonda Fairchild questioned if there would still be a 66' right-of-way adjacent to her Southridge Avenue property and was informed that would remain the same.

Joe Gessner stated that some of his questions have been answered after viewing the proposed site map, and he urged the developer to do a nice job with the landscaping.

Steve Shockley expressed concerns about the density of the project and said he would like to see less big units in the development. Hearing closed.

Mayor Knaack announced time for the public hearing regarding the proposed petition requesting State and Federal Aid for Menomonie Municipal Airport Improvements. No one appeared and the hearing was declared closed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Pete Heimdahl spoke regarding the letter dated December 30, 2014 from the Friends of the Red Cedar River Basin withdrawing their request to form a Tainter-Menomin Lake District, and requested the Council waive the rules later in the meeting to allow him time to make a presentation on new ideas.

MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Cruz, and carried to waive the rules to hear from the developers of the proposed multiple family residential development. Mark Erickson and Craig Wurzer stated that the development is privately funded and they answered other questions relating to the proposed project.

MOTION was made by Erdman, seconded by Riedel, and carried to suspend the rules to hear from Joe Gessner. Mr. Gessner expressed that he would like to have trees extend the whole north/south area of the east quarter as a buffer.

ORDINANCE – MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Cruz, and carried to waive the first reading of the ordinance rezoning Lot 2, CSM #1442 and Outlot 4 of the Ridgewood Heights Addition to Limited Multiple-Family Residential District (R-2), Multiple-Family Residential District (R-3) and Open Development-Conservancy District (C). MOTION to waive the second reading of the ordinance was made by Cruz, seconded by Traxler, and carried. MOTION to adopt the ordinance was made by Solberg, seconded by Schwebs, and carried on the following roll call vote: Ayes: Traxler, Sutherland, Schwebs, Brown, Solberg and Cruz. Noes: Luther, Riedel, Erdman and Mercil.

RESOLUTION NO. 8 petitioning the Secretary of Transportation for Airport Improvement Aid for the Menomonie Municipal Airport was introduced and moved for adoption by Mercil, seconded by Erdman, and carried unanimously on roll call vote.

MOTION was made by Cruz, seconded by Schwebs, and carried to waive the rules for 12 to 15 minutes to hear from Pete Heimdahl. Mr. Heimdahl, representing Friends of the Red Cedar Basin, spoke of withdrawing their proposal for the establishment of the Tainter-Menomin Lake District, and urged the Council to aggressively proceed with Recommendation #14 of the City of Menomonie, Urban Stormwater Plan. (*Recommendation #14: Consider partnering with Wisconsin DNR to retain a certified limnologist to study Lake Menomin and determine if chemical sequester, chemical algal control and/or biological control would be technically feasible, regulatorily permissible and cost-effective.*)

BIDS were received for anti-icing equipment for the Street Department as follows:

Monroe Truck Equipment - \$22,494

Universal Truck Equipment - \$16,559

Indianhead Truck Equipment - \$16,039

MOTION was made by Luther, seconded by Traxler, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to accept the bid of \$16,039 from Indianhead Truck Equipment.

APPOINTMENT – MOTION was made by Traxler, seconded by Brown, and carried to accept the Mayor’s recommendation and appoint Kerry McCauley to the Airport Commission to fill the vacant term that expires June 2016.

BUDGET – MOTION was made by Schwebs, seconded by Luther, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve the following budget transfers:

- \$1,200 from Water Utility, Maintenance of Structures 61.63100.226 Repairs to Maintenance of Structures 61.63100.476 Supplies;
- \$200 from Elections 01.51412.143 Election Officials to 01.51412.432 Mileage; and
- \$300 from Elections 01.51412.143 Election Officials to 01.51412.439 Schools & Conferences.

MAYOR’S REPORT – Mayor Knaack announced the agenda packet included minutes from the Feb. 9, 2015 Menomonie Parks & Recreation Department Advisory Board, minutes from the Feb. 11, 2015 Red Cedar River Water Quality Partnership Meeting, and the January 2015 activity report from the Building Inspection Department.

CLAIMS - MOTION was made by Solberg, seconded by Luther, and carried unanimously on roll call vote to approve payment of the following claims:

**2014 Claims**

Indianhead Truck Equipment	\$ 113.10
Menomonie Chamber	26,911.41

**2015 Claims**

Compview, Inc.	\$ 3,005.96
Emmons & Oliver Resources	1,044.10
Mineral Service Plus	43,456.00
O’Reilly Auto Parts	74.40

LICENSES – MOTION was made by Luther, seconded by Solberg, and carried to approve the licenses, as presented:

**OPERATORS:** Nathan D. Fashingbauer; Emma H. Kornack; Andrew J. Nimsgern; Taira K. Petersen; Mitch J. Warner; Brenna R. Weinberg.

MOTION to adjourn was made by Brown, seconded by Riedel, and carried.